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HOUSE RESOLUTION 2004

A RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF GARY E. BIRD.

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1 Gary E. Bird passed away on September 11, 2001 at the age of fifty-one.
2 Tragedy struck the Tempe community on September 11, 2001 as it did in
3 countless communities across America. Tempe resident Gary Bird was one of
4 thousands of Americans who perished that day at the hand of terrorists who
5 commandeered four commercial airliners full of passengers and steered them
6 into well-known, occupied targets. A new senior vice president of Marsh USA,
7 Gary Bird was attending a meeting in the first week of his new job in the
8 company's main corporate office at the World Trade Center when terrorists
9 steered aircraft into both of the World Trade Center towers. He died along
10 with thousands of other innocent people in this horrific event.

11 A native of Cottonwood, Arizona, Gary Bird was a second generation
12 Arizonan and had been a resident of Tempe since 1973. Throughout nearly
13 three decades of volunteer service in his community, he gave freely of his
14 time, energy and efforts to better the lives of those around him. Among his
15 many accomplishments, he was active with the Tempe Jaycees and was a founding
16 member, past president and chairman of the Tempe Boys and Girls Club. He
17 served for six years on the Tempe Planning and Zoning Commission, including
18 one year as chairman, and served ten years on the Tempe Industrial
19 Development Authority. Gary Bird's selfless efforts distinguished him as an
20 effective and tireless civic leader and he earned the respect and admiration
21 of all who knew him.

22 Devoted to his family, Gary Bird is survived by his wife, Donna, and
23 his children, Amanda and Andrew. Above all things he treasured his home life
24 and the time he spent with his beloved family and horses. He is greatly
25 missed by his family, many friends and the Tempe community.

26 Therefore

27 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

28 That the members of the House of Representatives sincerely regret the
29 passing of Gary E. Bird and extend their deepest sympathies to his surviving
30 family members.

APPROVED BY THE HOUSE MARCH 25, 2002.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MARCH 25, 2002.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE

March 25, 2002

Jake Flak
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Pro Tempore

Norman L. Moore
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

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This Resolution was received by the Secretary of State

This 25th day of March, 2002

at 1:55 o'clock P M.

Rickey Bayless
Secretary of State